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Many Thousands Visit Birthplace; A Worthy Shrine To D. L. Moody; Hundreds Of Relics Are Shown

The Centenary Has A Climax In The August Conference

If it were possible to make Dwight L. Moody a saint, then his Birthplace known to so many of us in Northfield where it is located would be a shrine for hundreds of thousands among the evangelical protestants in the English-speaking world, many of whom are this summer journeying here to see with their own eyes the cradle in which the infant Dwight was rocked, the thumbed Bible he rescued from the Chicago fire, the Sankey organ, and hundreds of other relics that have been brought together for exhibition during this centenary year of his birth.

Dr. Paul Dwight Moody, son of the evangelist and founder of The Northfield Schools, will preside during the General Conference which opens its two weeks of services on Saturday. Some of the most outstanding Protestant leaders in Great Britain and America will speak from the Northfield platform at these meetings.



Moody's Birthplace at Northfield where the exhibit is located. The house which was built in 1823 commands a good view of the Connecticut River. Right—D. L. Moody as he was seen by hundreds of thousands in America and the British Isles.

The great climax of the centenary celebration of the birth of Dwight L. Moody will be concentrated in the three days of Aug. 13, 14, and 15, during which seven of America's most eminent Christian statesmen will speak on the theme, "Christ and the Bible."

The Moody Exhibit has been brought together in the Birthplace by A. Percy Fitt, son-in-law and secretary of the evangelist. Visitors will see in the old home the room in which Moody was born and the crib in which the infant Dwight, sixth in a family of nine children, was rocked to sleep. The original rocking chair is there, and also the dining table around which all 10 sat at meals.

The only known picture of the father, Edwin Moody, who died in 1841 when Dwight was four years old, is on display. The Moody family tree reveals that John Moody came to Hartford from England in 1632. On the mother's side, the Holton family tree indicated that William Holton came from England in 1634, also settling in Hartford, eight generations ago.

Life for Moody in Chicago is depicted in one room of the century-old Birthplace. Here is the Bible, the only object Moody saved from his home during the great Chicago fire of 1871, when both he and his wife had to flee for their lives. A picture of his first Sunday school class in Chicago, which was made up of lads young Moody picked up on the streets, is included in this collection.

The old Sankey organ used in evangelistic campaigns and also a copy of the Moody-Sankey gospel hymnal, which has been so popular that several million copies have been sold, are seen



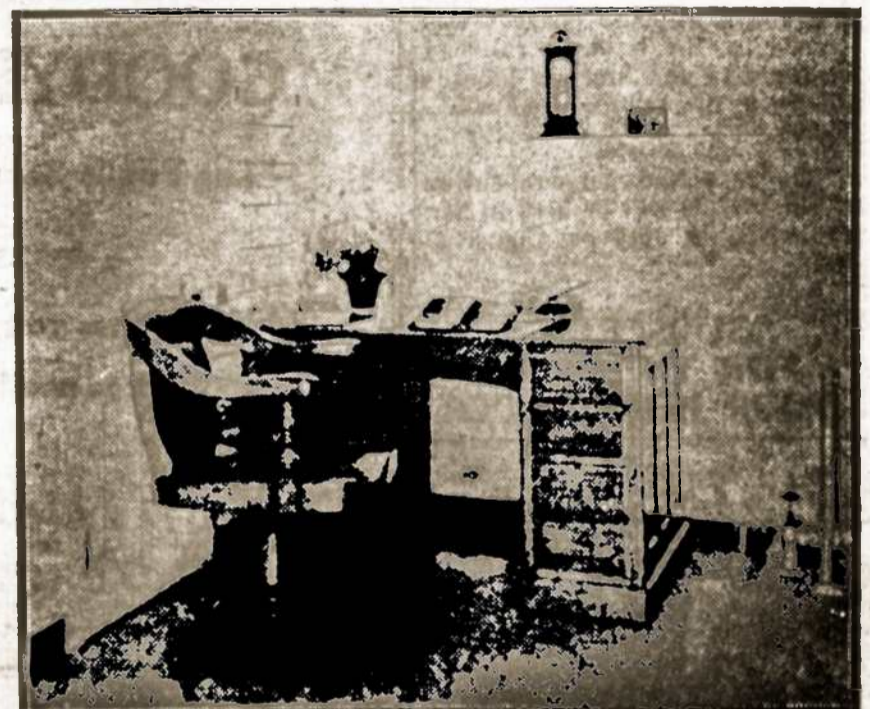
The small reed organ which traveled with Sankey and Moody on their evangelistic campaigns here and abroad. Their famous gospel hymnal is opened at Sankey's well-known "Ninety and Nine."



Pulpit used by Moody and many other famous preachers in the Northfield Auditorium.



Dwight Lyman Moody



The desk at which Moody wrote many of his famous sermons, and his massive chair. His favorite Bible, pen and inkwell are on the desk. Above—The cradle in which young Dwight and his eight brothers and sisters were rocked to sleep by their mother who sat on this rocking chair.

next to the pulpit used by Moody in the Northfield auditorium meetings. To this pulpit Moody attracted such famous religious leaders as Henry Drummond, Charles Spurgeon, Henry Ward Beecher, Francis E. Clark and Booker T. Washington.

Seated in Moody's spacious chair, every visitor signs his name with Moody's own pen and inkwell at the desk which used to be in his own library. On the mantelpiece stands "Lady Pen-dulum's clock," presented to Moody by one of the evangelist's converts who, after hesitating a long time from fear of being a backslider, finally made the decision upon hearing him tell the story that God would give grace moment by moment just as the clock ticks one at a time.

The signature of Mark Hopkins, president of Williams college, is found on a document indicating Moody's honorary membership to the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions. Hundreds of pictures and other items relating to The Northfield Schools, the evangelistic campaigns, the Northfield Summer Conferences, and other projects, reveal Moody's limitless energy and prove the truth of his own statement: "Some day you will read in the newspapers that D. L. Moody of East Northfield is dead. Don't you believe it. At that time I shall be more alive than I am now."

The Birthplace, at the junction of Moody street, Highland avenue and Winchester road, is the house where D. L. Moody was

Westminster Choir Festival of Music Program Rendered Sunday, Aug. 15 Will Be Held In The Open Air

Will Be Broadcast; Williamson Conducts

The Northfield Festival of Music conducted by Dr. John Finley Williamson will be held about Round Top on the Seminary campus in the open air on Sunday afternoon, August 15, weather permitting, otherwise in the large auditorium. Members of the Westminster Choir summer school now in session at Mt. Hermon school will form the background of singers, augmented by members of church choirs from the surrounding territory, including Keene, Brattleboro, Northampton, Greenfield, Athol, Orange and other places. There

will be a large company of singers selected from Northfield and vicinity as well as a good representation of summer visitors and delegates attending the General Conference. There will also be a group of over 200 children trained to participate.

The program will be broadcast by the National Broadcasting company and heard over one of their networks from coast to coast. The congregation will participate in the program by the singing of familiar hymns and the famous song of Ira D. Sankey, "The Ninety and Nine" will be rendered by the Westminster Singers accompanied by Mrs. William R. Moody. The program in its complete form is here given:

In Mirth and in Gladness
God Is With Us
Grant Unto Me the Joy of Thy Salvation
Friedrich Erhardt Niedt
A. Kastalsky
Johannes Brahms

FESTIVAL CHORUS

The Night Our Lady Came
The Children's Song
O Saviour Hear Me
Florence N. Wilson
George Rathbone
C. W. von Gluck

CHILDREN'S CHOIRS

WESTMINSTER CHOIR SUMMER SCHOOL
Hymn—A Mighty Fortress Is Our God
Rev. Martin Luther
CONGREGATION AND CHOIRS

The Strife Is O'er
While by Our Sleeping Flock We Lay
Send Forth Thy Spirit
Melchior Vulpius arr. Alfred Whitehead
17th Century German Melody
Franz Schuetky

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WESTMINSTER SINGERS
Hymns—
Rock of Ages
The Ninety and Nine
Westminster Singers accompanied by Mrs. W. R. Moody
When I Survey the Wondrous Cross
Thomas Hastings
Ira D. Sankey
Lowell Mason

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Built on a Rock the Church Shall Stand
Praise to the Lord
Dartsh Hymn
German Hymn

FESTIVAL CHORUS

Choral Benediction
Peter C. Lutkin

COMBINED CHORUSES

HOSPITAL SALE OPENS NEXT WEEK ON MOODY LAWN

The annual Franklin County hospital food sale will take place next Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock on the lawn of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Moody on Highland avenue when the offerings of housewives, farmers and gardeners will be sold at reasonable prices for the benefit of the hospital. All sorts of good things will be found at tables presided over by a committee of Northfield women. There will be lemonade, candy and other refreshments and the event promises not only to be a food sale but a social event where one may meet friends and greet the visitors from the hillsides. Better plan now to attend as the weatherman says, "fair and warm." The soliciting committees named in last week's Press will soon begin their activities and invite all friends to contribute. The following committees are assigned to the tables:

Refreshments, Mrs. George Pfefferle, Mrs. Allen Wright, Mrs. Clarence Steadler, Mrs. W. P. Stanley; Lemonade, Mrs. Mary Field; Candy, Mrs. Thomas Parker, Mrs. Joseph W. Field, Mrs. L. A. Polhemus; Cake, Mrs. Charles Johnson, Mrs. George Thompson, Mrs. Robert McCastline, Mrs. Frank Montague; Baked beans and bread, Mrs. Daniel Sutherland, Mrs. Frank Williams, Mrs. F. Wilton Dean; fresh vegetables, Mrs. George Kidder, Mrs. Carrall Miller, Mrs. Louis Webster; pastry, canned goods, eggs, Miss Daisy Holton, Mrs. Dana Leavis, Miss Euphrasia Purrington; flowers, Garden club members.

Mr. Hoehn is in charge of publicity and Mrs. A. G. Moody and Mrs. Willis Parker will originate and place the posters.

born on February 5, 1837, and in which his mother, Betsey Holton Moody lived from the time of her marriage to Edwin Moody in 1828 until her death in 1896 at the age of 91. The exhibit is open daily, except Monday, 2-5 p. m.

GEN'L CONFERENCE OPENS TOMORROW; C. E. U. FOLLOWS

Dr. Paul D. Moody, president of Middlebury college, will preside over the opening session of the 58th Northfield General conference in the auditorium here tomorrow night. Over 5,000 delegates are expected to attend the meetings this year and the vanguard has already begun to arrive. Dr. Moody, son of D. L. Moody, the founder of the Northfield Schools and Conferences, will be chairman of the entire fortnight's gathering. The conference is of particular note this year because of the world-wide observance of the 100th anniversary of Dwight L. Moody's birth. The climax of the centenary celebration will be reached next month when six famous religious leaders will speak in the auditorium on August 13 to 15, on that favorite Moody theme, "Christ and the Bible."

Sixteen noted speakers of Great Britain and America are listed on the two weeks' schedule of meetings. Among them are: Canon J. S. Bezzant of Liverpool Cathedral, England; Dr. Adam W. Burnet, minister Westbourne church in Glasgow, Scotland; Dr. Henry Sloane Coffin, president of Union Theological seminary in New York; Professor Charles R. Erdman of Princeton Theological seminary, Princeton, N. J.; Bishop James E. Freeman of Washington; Dean Lynn Harold Hough of Drew Theological seminary, Madison, N. J.; and Dr. J. V. Moldenhawer, minister of the First Presbyterian church, New York.

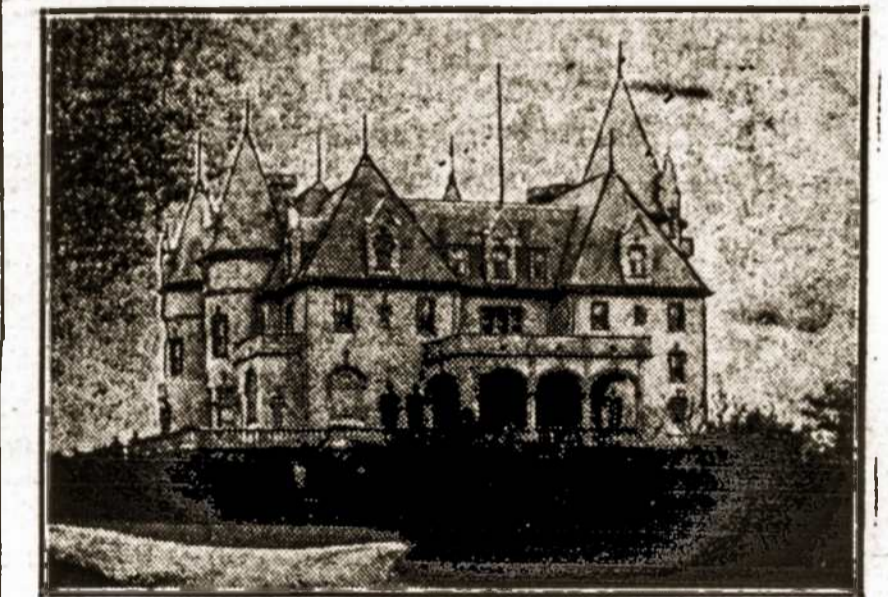
Others are: Dr. Frederick Norwood of the National Free Church Council, London, England; Dr. Paul E. Scherer of the Holy Trinity Lutheran church, New York City; Dr. Robert E. Speer, secretary of the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions; Dr. John Timothy Stone, president of Presbyterian Theological seminary, Chicago; Dr. R. J. Wedderburn of Glasgow, Scotland; and Dean Luther A. (Please Turn to Page 3)

The Fourth Annual Flower Show Of The Northfield Garden Club At The Chateau August 18th-19th

Big Display Promised; Twenty-seven Classes

Announcement is made of the Fourth Annual Flower Show by the Northfield Garden club at the Chateau of the Northfield Hotel on Wednesday and Thursday, Aug. 18 and 19. The display will be for two whole days, opening Wednesday at two o'clock and continuing until 10 o'clock on Thursday opening at 10 o'clock and closing at 10 o'clock p. m. Miss Blanche I Corser the

president is assuring in her statement that the show will eclipse all previous efforts. It is expected that many visitors from Garden clubs throughout the county and from other places will attend because of the extensive nature of the classifications and because of the excellent setting at the Chateau. The management of the Hotel will provide afternoon teas in the Chateau in the tea room which will be a fine rendezvous for a social time and the meeting of friends. Schedule next week.



The Chateau where the Garden Club will hold its Fourth Annual Flower Show

BENEFIT CONCERT TO BE GIVEN FOR FRESH AIR CAMP

In the Auditorium at 3:30 on the afternoon of Tuesday, Aug. 3 there will be another fine concert given for the benefit of the Virginia Fresh Air camp. Each summer a large group of talented artists offer their services for the varied and unusual program that is presented.

This year the selections will be divided into two groups. In the first there will be songs by the Virginia camp and the Louise Andrews Camp. The latter will be under the direction of Miss Doris Hurst who will also give a piano solo. Leon Dummell and Marie Pike have generously offered to play some of their duo piano arrangements. Dorothy Whittle Easley of Salem formerly contralto in St. Mary the Virgin's in New York City will sing, and also Albert and Virginia Raymond of The Northfield Hotel.

All the numbers in the second group will be given by members of the Westminster summer school now in session at Mt. Hermon and the Westminster Singers of the General conference.

The Junior Circle, made up of summer guests and Northfield girls, organized to help Miss Harper with the activities of the Virginia campers and to supply the children with flowers, will usher at the concert. They are: Margaret Duncan, Margaret Carn Margaret Duncan, Eleanor Fuller, Margaret Carne, Barbara Moore, Julia Ross, Kathleen Coles, Ellen Marie Giebel, Jean Madden, Beverly Briesmaster.

No tickets will be sold for the concert, but a collection will be taken for the upkeep of all the permanent equipment of the Virginia camp. This year there is a great need of replacement of bedding material for the 150 little girls who come from the heat and discomfort and congested districts of lower New York for two weeks of peace and rest and happiness.

To Open Evenings By Popular Request

The D. L. Moody memorial exhibit being held this summer at the Birthplace is becoming increasingly popular as the conference season gains momentum. New items are being added daily according to Mr. A. P. Fitt, Moody's son-in-law and former secretary, who is in charge and who has succeeded in gathering for the first time a comprehensive collection of the great evangelist's relics. Because of a large number of requests from nearby communities the exhibit will be open several evenings during the General Conference period. The schedule for the first two weeks in August will be as follows: daily, except Monday, 2 to 5 p. m.; Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday evenings 7-9. Groups may arrange for special showings at other times.

ELDER-NORTON CASE VERDICT NOT GUILTY ELDER IS GRATEFUL

The case of Thomas E. Elder, charged with assault of his former Mt. Hermon colleague, S. Allen Norton, with a dangerous weapon with intent to murder on May 25, was in the hands of a superior court jury at 4:30 p. m. Wednesday.

For nearly a week the case was before the court with Judge Thomas J. Hammond. The prosecution presented its facts followed by the defense. Dist. Atty. David H. Keedy prosecuted the Norton charge while Atty. Chas. Fairhurst was counsel for Elder. Each day the court room was filled with the curious who concerned themselves with the proceedings, and newspaper men anxious to report the "high spots" of the testimony. Witness after witness were called to the stand to tell their story and charges, counter charges and denials came quickly. It was a trial full of intense interest because of the personal acquaintance and the standing of both men. After the summing up by prosecution and defense and the charge of the judge, the jury had the case in its hands and within five hours rendered its decision. On the first count: "Assault with a dangerous weapon with intent to murder"—"Not guilty." On the second count—"Assault with a dangerous weapon"—"Not guilty." The Clerk of court facing Mr. Elder then spoke, "Thomas E. Elder, the jury having found you not guilty you are discharged from custody."

Soon after the verdict, counsel for Mr. Elder issued his statement. "I am naturally deeply grateful that a Franklin county jury should acquit me of the charge instituted by Stephen A. Norton. I have had at no time any doubt of the result once the case was placed fairly before a court and jury in the county I have so long considered home." Asst. Atty. Herr spoke for Mr. Keedy: "We tried the best we could, and they (the jury) made their decision. There is nothing we can say."

Supper Tonight

A cafeteria supper will be held in the vestry of the Trinitarian Congregational church at Northfield this Friday evening at 6:00 o'clock. It will be followed by a concert at 7:30 by the Westminster Singers. At 9 o'clock there will be a rehearsal for the coming Festival of Sacred Music under the direction of Dr. John Finley Williamson of Westminster Choir fame.

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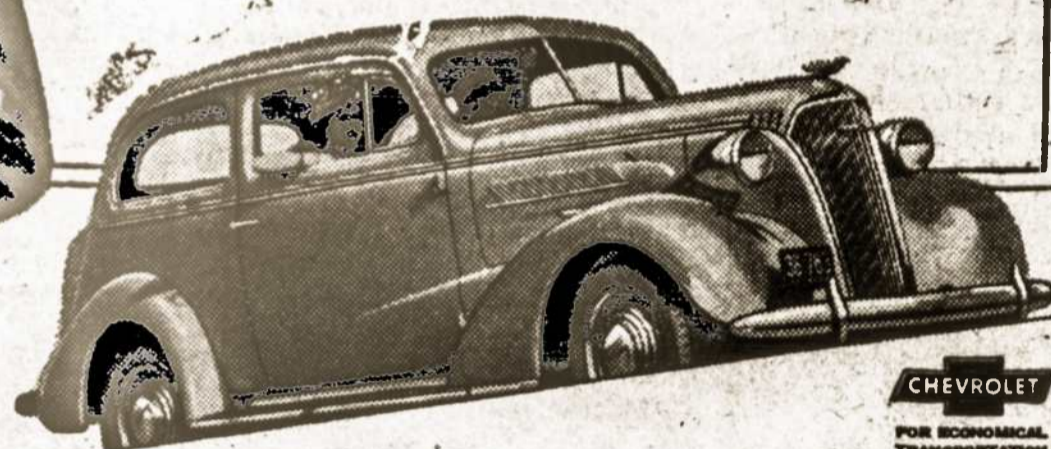
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The Alliance Food Sale of the Unitarian church will be on the grounds of Mrs. J. M. Whitmore on Main street on next week Friday at 3 o'clock, Aug. 13.

Local autoists who motor thru Connecticut are advised that the state is enforcing its reflector law on all automobiles. Make sure that the rear lights on your car of the type that show up red when rays of light are thrown upon them. Most new cars are so equipped.

The next food sale on the lawn of the "House of Colton" will be Saturday, Aug. 14, by the WCTU.

Many here were much interested in the talk of Dr. John R. Mott who spoke over the radio Sunday afternoon from London where he has been in attendance at the great Protestant Religious conference at Oxford.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Verne Ware of Main street at the Franklin county hospital on Saturday, July 24.

The new bridge crossing the Connecticut river between Brattleboro and Chesterfield will be opened for traffic on Sunday, Aug. 8. We will all enjoy that route on our way to Spofford.

A record filed at the Registry shows Dana W. Leavis of Northfield has transferred property in Northfield to Gertrude Louise Leavis also of Northfield.

The speaker Sunday morning at the auditorium will be the Rev. Dr. J. V. Moldenhaw, minister of the First Presbyterian church, New York City.

It is said that tobacco in the Connecticut river valley is in a thriving condition and a big crop is predicted. The plants are now being topped. Farmers about Northfield who have tobacco expect to fare well.

New Hampshire highway authorities are now placing signs on the completed road between Northfield and Winchester. It is known as Route 10A. Traffic has increased very considerably over the route.

A move is on to light French King bridge at night. The light standards are in place and the power lines not far away. Erving and Gill must pay the cost as the bridge is in those towns. It won't cost Northfield anything to endorse it, so we second the motion.

Trinitarian Church

Sunday school will be at 9:45 a. m. on Sunday and on Thursday evening at 7 o'clock the church prayer meeting, with the study in Ephesians. On Friday the Bible conference will be held in the church at 2 o'clock with devotions by Mrs. Blossom and the address by Rev. F. L. Whiterman of Casse, Pa., a returned missionary from Turkey.

Edward S. Slate has taken over Reed's Filling Station on Main street and will continue the sale of Gulf products. He will maintain an adequate service at all times. Mr. Slate is a brother of former postmaster Slate of Northfield.

As a sort of "dress rehearsal" of their part in the benefit concert in the auditorium each year, the Virginia camp visits The Northfield Hotel. On Monday evening, Aug. 2, 50 little children will sing for the guests and afterwards be entertained by the hotel at an ice cream party.

The Goodspeed Watch Shop in the Webster building on Parker street is being enlarged and improved.

A musical was given in Sage chapel last Saturday evening by Mabel Parkes Friswell of Needham, soprano; Mrs. Alfrida Hogg of Hartford, pianist; Mrs. Agnes Ruggles Allen of Quincy, organist; and Hubert F. Hill of Norwood, violin, delegates to the Religious Education conference.

Fight Elm Disease

The Massachusetts Forest and Park association is continuing the fight to halt the march of the Dutch elm disease northward into New England. It has issued an appeal to all citizens and especially school children to watch elm trees in their neighborhood for signs of the fungus which has already destroyed more than six million elms in the United States. The outward symptom is the wilting of the young elm leaves until mid-summer. All suspicions should be immediately reported to the local tree warden so that an examination can be made. Specimens can be sent to the State college at Amherst for examination. As yet the disease has not been found north of Connecticut but eternal vigilance is necessary upon the part of all. Northfield with its beautiful elms is especially appealed to for an active concern.

Net income of \$89,778.66 over and above its fixed charges was earned by the B. & M. railroad in June. In the first six months this year the road earned \$654,706.05.

The next National convention of the WCTU will be held in San Francisco in July or August of 1938.

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PERSONALS

M. C. Skilton, secretary and treasurer of Western Mass. Postmasters' association, spent Tuesday in Dalton, making arrangements for the annual meeting of the association, which will be held there in August.

Miss Mary Breinig is spending the summer in special employment with Forbes & Wallace at Springfield.

Mrs. Louise Volk of Brookline spent last week with her mother Mrs. Mary A. Bardwell at her Main street home.

A. P. Fitt, author of "Moody Still Lives," has been elected an honorary member of the Eugene Field society, a national association of authors and journalists organized to perpetuate the name of Eugene Field. Its headquarters are the Eugene Field House at St. Louis, Mo.

Miss Alida Roe of Jamaica, N. Y. spent last week-end with Mrs. Maude N. Voris at her home in Mountain Park.

Rev. H. F. Randolph of Main street went to Greenfield last Sunday to preach at the Union service of Greenfield churches at All Souls Unitarian church.

Mrs. Julia Newton of Akron who is visiting this summer her sister Mrs. N. P. Wood spent last week visiting her brother, W. J. Weatherhead and wife at Vernon.

Rev. and Mrs. E. E. Jones are entertaining their little granddaughter from Providence, R. I., the daughter of their son, Dr. Walter Jones and his wife.

Mrs. Charles Wright and her daughter of Englewood, N. J. are occupying their cottage, "Sunny-Shadow" in East Northfield.

Miss Blanche Corser is spending a week's vacation with her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Linwood J. Corser at Sheffield.

Warren Compton and a party of friends all from Somerville spent last week at the Pine Tree cottage on Rustic Ridge.

Mrs. Lydia Featherstone and her daughter, Mrs. Eugene Roston of Jackson Heights are occupying Elston cottage on the Cliff road. They are entertaining a group of friends this week.

Mrs. Edna B. H. Jenkins and her cousin Mrs. Sarah Jenkins, who is visiting her has just returned from a motor trip thru the White Mountains.

Vincent Barnes, formerly of Northfield is a student at San Jose college in California studying chemistry bacteriology and biology. He will enter the University of California in the fall. His brother Rollo has just been appointed General Agent of Public Welfare in Hingham, Mass. Both are nephews of Mrs. Louise B. LaBella.

Mrs. Rose Brown of Brooklyn, N. Y., is the guest of Mrs. William J. McRoberts at her home on Linden street.

Miss Rena Tyler has returned to her position at Houghton and Simonds at Brattleboro after spending a two weeks' vacation with her parents Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Tyler at their home here.

Rev. J. L. Peacock of Tarboro, N. C. and Miss Carrie Arnold with other members of the family are at their summer home on Rustic Ridge for the remainder of the season.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Hulet of Hollis, N. Y. are at their cottage on Rustic Ridge. They have as their guests her sister, Mrs. R. J. Schaley, Miss Mabel Walley and Robert Hulet all of Amica, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Sterling of Burlington, Vt., will again occupy Hermit cottage for a part of August.

Mrs. C. H. Webster and Miss Emma Alexander are at Croton Falls, N. Y. visiting Mrs. Webster's daughter, Miss Bernice Webster.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Goodspeed and Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Fuller all of Detroit were guests this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Goodspeed on Main St.

Friends here have received cards of greeting from Miss Therese Simar of Rustic Ridge who is aboard ship in Panama Canal enroute to the west coast and from Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Duncan of Rustic Ridge who are at Salt Lake City.

Born July 27 in Providence, R. I. to Dr. and Mrs. Walter S. Jones (Florence Roberts) a daughter, Nancy Roberts. Granddaughter to Rev. and Mrs. Ellis E. Jones of Northfield seminary and Vernon, Vt. and Mr. and Mrs. Albert E. Roberts of Braintree, Mass.

Mrs. C. O. Dunham has been called to Saranac Lake by the illness of her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Gordon Dunham.

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Announcement of the wedding of Rev. Dr. Arthur Lee Kinsolving, rector of Trinity Episcopal church at Boston, and Miss Mary Kent Blagden of Philadelphia at the Chapel of the Ascension at Saranac, N. Y., September 4, has been made. Rev. Dr. Arthur B. Kinsolving, rector of St. Paul's church at Baltimore, Md., father of Dr. Kinsolving will perform the ceremony. Members of the family and intimate friends will comprise the wedding party. Much interest is displayed here by Dr. Kinsolving's friends, where he usually participates and attends the Girls' conference.

Given Dinner

Thirty postmasters, assistant postmasters, post office clerks from western Massachusetts, and three from Vermont, and several friends gathered at the Montague Inn, Wednesday evening and held a banquet in honor of the wedding of Lawrence D. Quinlan and Miss Edna Lakso.

During the course of the evening several gifts were presented to Lawrence, among them a maple upholstered chair, an airplane and a beautifully decorated wedding cake, with bride and groom.

Following the dinner, a six-year-old boy came in dressed up as a groom, with a young lady of the same tender age, all dressed in wedding gown and veil, and they performed several dances very nicely. Also a young lady gave several exhibitions of tap dances on roller skates, and several tap dances.

At The Victoria

Friday-Saturday, July 30-31, "Transatlantic Merry-Go-Round" with Jack Benny and Nancy Carroll. Co-feature, "Midnight Court" with Ann Dvorak and John Littel.

Starting Sunday for three days "The Gay Desperado" with Nino Martini, Ida Lupino and Leo Carillo. Co-feature is "Headline Crasher" with Frankie Darro and Kane Richmond.

The general convention of the Protestant Episcopal church will be held in Cincinnati, Ohio, in October, opening on the 6th. A large representation will attend from the Diocese of Western Massachusetts.

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Gen'l Conference -- (Continued from Page 1)

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The special Woman's conference will be led by Mrs. W. R. Moody. The subject this season will be "Evangelism and the Centenary of Moody's Birth" will be emphasized in the discussion of this theme. An interesting feature of this conference season is the D. L. Moody Memorial exhibit which is on display at his birthplace. The climaxing centenary observance, Aug. 13 to 15 will be presided over by Dr. John McDowell, former Presbyterian Moderator, who is the chairman of the centenary executive committee.

The Westminster singers will once more be responsible for the music of the conference and on the afternoon of Sunday, Aug. 15 under the direction of Dr. John Finley Williamson, president of the Westminster Choir school, the great Northfield Music Festival will take place. Choirs and choral groups from within a radius of at least 50 miles of

Northfield are expected to swell the festival chorus, part of which will be broadcast over the facilities of the National Broadcasting company.

The annual conference of the Massachusetts Christian Endeavor Union will follow the closing of the General Conference and will wind up the Northfield Summer Conference season. Dr. Daniel A. Poling of Philadelphia president of the World's Christian Endeavor Union, will be a prominent speaker.

Many Register

Twelve hundred persons have registered their names at the D. L. Moody centennial memorial exhibit now open at the Birthplace on Moody street. Over 800 units are in the exhibit, including furniture over a hundred years old, documents, paintings, and photos, and other souvenirs. D. L. Moody is to be seen in about 75 paintings and photos, in addition to albums of newspaper drawings. The exhibit will remain for another month. It is open free to the public from 2 to 5 o'clock daily except Monday.

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EDITORIAL

Publicity has been most unkind to the fair name of Northfield and her institutions during the past few weeks. Reflections are many and the black blotches on history's page may never be erased. Opinion clashes with opinion and friendships are blighted. Religion is scorned for the acts of its professors. What harm a little mischief may do. Will it be possible for us to live above the turmoil and in friendship with all? Thus only can we usher in a brighter day.

On account of the added cost of doing business in these days of many taxes, postal regulations etc., the Northfield Press must drop from its list all subscribers who are two years in arrears. We have a long and increasing number of paid subscribers and it is our desire that the Press go out only to those who want it. A packed list has no value and the Press is not a free paper.

In the role of an advertising solicitor the Editor has to go out to ask men of business for advertising. Sometimes the answer is, "I can't afford it." When that answer is given I turn and go out for I don't want anybody to sell me anything which I can't afford. As I reflect, however, I come to the conclusion that there is a lot of poverty in the world, even among business men.

Peace Meeting To Be At Hostel Tuesday

As an event in the emergency peace campaign conducted by young women and young men, a meeting has been arranged to be held at the Youths Hostel next Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock at which Miss Helen James of Stanton, Va., Miss Dorothy Schroeder of Rochester, N. Y., Miss Jean Stier of Derry, Ct. and Miss Sarah Lewis of Orlando, Fla., will be present to conduct an open forum on the question of "Peace or War." All young folks of Northfield are invited to attend the meeting.

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The Choir School Is At Mount Hermon

The Westminster Choir school held its first full day's sessions Tuesday with an increased enrollment over last year. Dr. John Finley Williamson, founder and director of the school, is teaching most of the classes on the campus of Mount Hermon, where the choir school is living. A special summer school for beginners in choral and vocal work is this year being established for the first time, the enrollment being 35, while there are 75 in the senior department of the school. Again this year as last, the listing of the automobiles indicates that about 20 states are represented in the enrollment. The sessions will continue until August 16.

The students in the senior school are all professional church singers or musicians, some being graduates of the Westminster School who return to take courses under Dr. Williamson. He has the reputation of having made a real art of modern church choral singing. Among the courses here, there is one called Conducting, in which the student actually takes charge of the choir under the personal guidance of Dr. Williamson. In the laboratory course instruction is given in vocal teaching. Young people of high school and college age who desire training in choral work are this year given an opportunity to learn under the direction of Joseph Lautner, an associate of Dr. Williamson. Others on the faculty are Ora G. Hedgpath of Princeton, Helm Smith of the Westminster Choir School, and Wray T. Lundquist of the Choir school.

Ethel Barrymore Colt Is To Appear In Play At Brattleboro Theatre

On Wednesday, Aug. 4, Ethel Barrymore Colt will appear with the Jitney Players in a production at the Auditorium Theatre in Brattleboro in "Lady Audley's Secret" an old fashioned melodramatic presentation. Theatre lovers here will make a real effort to secure seats since all seats are reserved. There will be both afternoon and evening performances.

"Lady Audley's Secret" tells a



Ethel Barrymore Colt

tale of treachery, blackmail, and murder with a passionate vigor that lifted the bonnets of the 19th century matinee audiences.

Based on a novel by Mary Elizabeth Braddon, best-selling writer of her day, the dramatic version of the book was written by Colin Hazelwood. The play was first produced in London in 1863.

Hobby Is Bridges

Making a study of all the old bridges in New England is the hobby of Mrs. Stella Drury of Athol. She has made a collection of their pictures and has personally photographed many. She has traveled many miles to visit them and perhaps is the best informed person of the facts regarding their history. Public officials are amazed to find that nearly 500 old bridges may still be found in New England in the states of Massachusetts, Vermont, New Hampshire and Maine especially. Massachusetts and New Hampshire have about 250 of these bridges, Vermont has 200, Maine has 35. Rhode Island is the only state that has none. The old bridges are all of the old style covered variety.

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That Street Fair At Arms Academy

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The program will open in the morning at 10:30 with sport events in charge of Verle Hartwell of Greenfield. A dinner will be served in the Congregational church by local women from 11:30 a. m. to 1 p. m. Various sales booths will be open on the campus throughout the afternoon and the parade will begin at 2:30 p. m. At 3:30 p. m. Mrs. Virginia Gifford's dancing school of Greenfield will give a recital in Science hall. There will be a dessert-bridge from 2:30 to 4:30 p. m. on the law of J. B. Parsons' home. Japanese tea will be served from 3 to 5 p. m. on the T. W. Watkins' lawn and at five o'clock garden lovers will be conducted on a tour of noteworthy gardens in town by Frank P. Davison, president of the Garden club. Supper will be served in the Baptist church by the Colrain Girl Reserves from 5:30 to 7 p. m. Andy Canedy's orchestra will furnish music for dancing from 8:30 to 12:30 in the Cowell gym. Mrs. George H. Foster of Northfield and Mrs. Louis Smith of Mount Hermon are members of the General committee.

High Enrollment

Both the Mount Hermon school and the Northfield seminary have registered a high enrollment as of July 1 and many applications received each week have to be denied. The Seminary registration is about 548 exclusive of day students and Mt. Hermon has 575. This speaks well for the standing and public appreciation of the schools.

Gave A Recital At Winchester, N. H.

Thursday evening of last week at Winchester in the town hall a duo piano recital was given by Miss Marie Pike of Jamaica, N. Y. and Leon Dunnell before a large and appreciative audience.

The program, all classical music, was well received by the audience and included the following selections: Coronation, Andante, Allegro Brillante, Adagio, Prelude, and Ballet; Rosary, Brahms Lullaby; Country Garden; Danse Macabre; and Procession of the Lavdov. The program lasted about one hour. Mrs. Forest Frost, president of the Ladies' society, presented the guest artists. A number of guests were present from Northfield.

THE LOW DOWN from HICKORY GROVE

When you look over the old sayings, and then squint around at things as they are now, it is easy to see that times have not changed much. But most of us, we figure that Grandpa was out of date and we kinda feel sorry for him 'cause he was so gullible. And there is the old saying, that experience is the best teacher, and it looks like it maybe also means, experience is the only teacher. Because here we are in 1937 listenin' with our mouths wide open, to fellers gettin' themselves elected and re-elected by tellin' us that they are stayin' awake nights just lookin' out after our interest and tryin' to make everythin' rosy for us. And it is just the same as when they was gettin' elected or re-elected 100 years ago.

And we will wake up and the feller who was lookin' out for us, he will have the money in the bank and we will have the experience.

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